



The Regional Comprehensive Plan takes the full body of planning and policy work produced by the Southern California Association of Governments and ties it together. It spells out ambitious goals, measurable objectives and defined strategies in nine areas of planning and resource management that can be used to help allocate bond funding to the best projects in Southern California.

The Regional Comprehensive Plan

Did You Know

- ▶ Over the past two years, the State has supported with grant funding the efforts of major regions to achieve demonstrable results through the development of “blueprint” plans.
- ▶ The Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) is a Blueprint Plan that approaches future growth and infrastructure challenges in an integrated and comprehensive way - where transportation, land use, housing, open space, air quality and water issues intersect and overlap.
- ▶ The RCP reflects the participation of transportation commissions, environmental organizations, local governments, water and parks agencies, energy companies, academics and other key planning stakeholders.

The RCP and Bond Funding

- ▶ The RCP serves as a model to distribute bond funds in an orderly, predictable way that reflects the State’s most pressing priorities.
- ▶ It is a proactive plan that helps identify projects that can get us the “biggest bang for our buck” because it looks holistically at housing, open space, traffic, water and other areas to get “multiple benefits for the price of one.”
- ▶ The RCP is built around the Compass Growth Vision and 2% Strategy adopted by the SCAG Regional Council in April 2004. The recommendations within the RCP are comprised of infrastructure and resource policies consistent with the envisioned growth pattern.

Nine Chapters

- ▶ Land Use and Housing
- ▶ Solid and Hazardous Waste
- ▶ Energy
- ▶ Air Quality
- ▶ Open Space and Habitat
- ▶ Economy
- ▶ Water
- ▶ Transportation
- ▶ Security and Emergency Preparedness
- ▶ Finance

What Communities Can Do

- ▶ Local governments should use the RCP to better define projects that will compete more effectively for State bond funding. Those projects that are consistent with the RCP’s blueprint vision and policies, and thereby show maximum regional benefit, should be considered priorities for funding by SCAG and the State.
- ▶ Use the RCP to help guide updates to General Plans.
- ▶ Support SCAG in its efforts to bring stakeholders together to implement the bold vision of the RCP.

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